

Village of Malone  
Resolution  
Complete Streets Policy

DEFINITIONS: “Complete Streets” is defined as streets and sidewalks that are designed and constructed for everyone – pedestrians, bicyclists, and drivers – and they take into account the transportation needs of everyone including children, older adults, and people with disabilities.

“Complete Streets Program” is a system of implementing Complete Streets.

“Multi-modal transportation” refers to various modes of transportation (walking, bicycling, automobile, public transit, etc.).

“Pedestrian” refers to a person on foot, in a wheelchair, on skates, or on a skateboard.

WHEREAS, the Malone Village Board of Trustees is partnering with Malone Complete Streets Partnership to draft a Complete Streets Plan in order to provide safe and accessible streets and sidewalks for all; and

WHEREAS, Malone Complete Streets Partnership’s mission is to coordinate and advocate for the development and implementation of Complete Streets plans and policies in the Town and Village of Malone that promote a multi-modal transportation network for all users; and

WHEREAS, The Town and Village of Malone Local Waterfront Revitalization Program (LWRP) recognizes that a visitor would not have the opportunity to visually connect with the waterfront unless they experience it as a pedestrian; and

WHEREAS, the LWRP proposes the creation of a comprehensive Physical Enhancements Plan that would include recommendations for such items as sidewalks and street crossings, benches and lighting, street trees and landscaping, which is consistent with a Complete Streets Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Malone recognizes that the needs of bicyclists and pedestrians of all ages and abilities should be considered in the planning and design of all new street constructions and street reconstruction undertaken in the Village; and

WHEREAS, Complete Streets has been recognized and adopted as law in New York State; and over 300 Complete Streets policies and laws have been adopted at the state, county, town, village and city levels across the country for the purpose of improving multi-modal transportation options, safety, and accessibility for all users; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Malone recognizes that Complete Streets will increase opportunities for multi-modal transportation, increase the capacity and efficiency of the road network, incorporate traffic calming actions, limit greenhouse gas emissions, improve rates of physical activity and related health outcomes, improve neighborhood

vitality, increase social interactions, create a stronger sense of community, strengthen the local economy, and improve the quality-of-life for people in the community; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Malone and its Department of Public Works has the ability to work with the Malone Complete Streets Partnership and others to explore the development, maintenance and enhancement of pedestrian, bicycle and trail connections within neighborhoods, business districts, and put into practice a Complete Streets Program to address issues with these amenities.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Village of Malone hereby recognizes the importance of creating Complete Streets through the planning, design, budgeting and implementation of local highway, street and sidewalk projects undertaken by and in the Village that enable safe multi-modal transportation for people of all ages and abilities, including children, youth, families, older adults and individuals with disabilities; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Village Board hereby resolves to establish a Complete Streets Policy as follows:

**Engineering:** The Department of Public Works shall provide safe and efficient accommodation of pedestrians and bicyclists by incorporating Complete Streets concepts, design features and practices in the planning, design budgeting and implementation of streets and sidewalk improvement projects undertaken by the Village of Malone.

1. The inclusion of Complete Streets facilities shall be consistent with the scope of the construction or improvement project, sensitive to the surrounding environment and land uses, and shall not be disproportionate with the cost of the larger project.
2. Complete Streets facilities, design features and practices include, but are not limited to: sidewalks, paved shoulders suitable for cycling, designated bike lanes, bike paths, lane striping, share-the-road signage, crosswalks, curb ramps, audible pedestrian signals, pedestrian crossing signage, traffic calming measures such as curb bump-outs, center islands, and pavement markings, sidewalk snow removal and routine shoulder and bike lane maintenance, and bicycle parking facilities.
3. Complete Streets facilities may be planned, designed, developed, and maintained in accordance with bicycle and pedestrian facility guidelines adopted by the United States Department of Transportation, New York State Department of Transportation, the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials, and other guidelines approved by the Village of Malone.
4. If the Department of Public Works determines that the inclusion of bicycle and/or pedestrian facilities are unable to be accommodated on a roadway or within the public right-of-way proposed for construction or improvement, the DPW Supervisor shall provide said determination in writing, with supporting documentation, to the Village Board for their information.

5. The Village Board shall appoint an “advisory committee” to make recommendations to the Village Board on the planning, design, budgeting and implementation of Complete Streets improvements in accordance with this policy.

**Education and Encouragement:** The Village supports the promotion of walking and bicycling for health, fitness, transportation and recreation through events, programs and other educational activities which benefit residents, students, businesses and visitors of all ages and abilities. These activities can be coordinated in partnership with Malone Complete Streets Partnership, Waterfront Advisory Board, other Village Committees, schools, health organizations and other partners.

Furthermore, the Village encourages NYSDOT and Franklin County to consider a Complete Streets approach when constructing or reconstructing streets in the Village.

**Enforcement:** The Village will provide a balanced enforcement of the New York State Vehicle and Traffic law for motorists, pedestrians and bicyclists. This will include enforcement of pedestrian’s right-of-way in crosswalks, bicyclists riding with traffic and all modes sharing roads safely. The Village will provide code enforcement of Chapter 47 Sidewalks and Streets of the Malone Code.

**Evaluation:** The “advisory committee” shall review the Complete Streets Policy every four years and recommend updates to the Village Board as necessary.